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ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

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OMB NO. 0579-0035

ANNUAL REPORT OF RESEARCH FACILITY
(TYPE OR PRINT)

Texas A&M University
Lab Animal Resources & Research
Office Of Research Compliance
1186 Tamu
College Station, TX 77843

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2. HEADQUARTERS RESEARCH FACILITY (Name and Address, as registered with USDA, include Zip Code)

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**Texas A&M University
USDA Site Designations**

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1. Registration Number: 74-R-0012
2. Number 10 of animals used in this study.
3. Species (common name) Guinea Pigs of animals used in the study.
4. Explain the procedure producing pain and/or distress.

This project is to test an influenza nasal powder vaccine incorporating a novel *insitu* gelling nasal delivery system (GelVac™). This vaccine, with either avian influenza H5 antigen or current human trivalent influenza vaccine antigens (H1N1, H3N2 and B), is given as a spray of powder in the nose rather than the usual shot. The GelVac powder containing a unique carbohydrate polymer (GelSite) forms a gel layer upon contact with secretions in the nose, and prolongs the vaccine residence in that location for an efficient antigen uptake. This three-year study is designed to 1) test various powder vaccine formulations and 2) determine if the vaccine will produce strong immune responses and protect against infection with influenza.

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Ferrets produce antibodies to influenza virus infection, show a nasal cellular response to the virus and exhibit a fever response when infected. They make very specific antibody to various strains of influenza virus and are routinely used to produce reference antisera. The natural disease course has to be followed for the data to be meaningful during the challenge experiment. A good correlation between data generated in ferrets and vaccine performance in humans does exist with Ljungberg (Vaccine 2002), JJ Donnelly (Vaccine 1997) and the Centers for Disease and Prevention (LA Zitzow, 2002, J Vir), and also by the latest publications found in PubMed, including Lee and Chen (Emerg Infect Dis, 2004) and Lambkin et al (Vaccine, 2004). The search for replacement and refinement did not yield any alternatives for the animal models used in influenza virus research.

6. What, if any, federal regulations require this procedure? Cite the agency, the code of Federal Regulations (CFR) title number and the specific section number (e.g., APHIS, 9 CFR 113.102)

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DATE: December 15, 2005
TO: Linda Kovar, USDA
FAX NUMBER: 970-494-7461
DESCRIPTION: Corrected 2005 APHIS Report
FROM: (b)(6), (b)(7)c

PAGES SENT (Including Cover Page): 4

Hi Linda,

Happy Holidays! Thanks for contacting me regarding the 2005 APHIS report. Attached are the corrected totals, which now reflect columns C, D and E only. Also, attached is the Category E rationale for use of Guinea Pigs. I can be reached at (b)(2)High, (b)(7)f if you need any additional information.

Thanks again!

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This report is required by law (7 USC 2143). Failure to report according to the regulations can result in an order to cease and desist and to be subject to penalties as provided for in Section 211.

See attached form for additional information.

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The purpose of this study is to develop and characterize an aerosol challenge model of acute Q fever in guinea pigs. The determination of infecting dose and expected clinical illness associated with each dose is necessary to choose a dose, reliably causing fever but not severe morbidity, to be used in future studies evaluating the efficacy of vaccines and treatment regimes.

The procedure with the potential to cause pain and distress in the guinea pigs is infection with *Coxiella burnetii*. Infected animals will develop a fever, the primary indicator of Q fever infection in this species, and at higher doses may experience inappetence and lethargy.

Infected guinea pigs developed various degrees of fever depending on the dose of organisms delivered. At the highest dose, guinea pigs experienced temperatures in excess of 40°C, inappetence, lethargy, and morbidity such that euthanasia was elected.

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Intervention with analgesics is likely to alter the course of disease. Analgesics may affect the validity of the fever response measurements, the main disease indicator in guinea pigs.

Therefore, analgesics are inappropriate for these experiments.

Relief was given to animals exhibiting dehydration during the febrile stage of illness by administration of sterile 0.9% NaCL SQ in amounts and frequency as deemed appropriate by the attending veterinarian.

Humane euthanasia was elected for moribund animals or those with excessive weight loss or respiratory disease as indicated by a modified Karnofsky's scale.

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